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Please amend claims 78 and 97 as follows.

(Amended) A co-processed composition [consisting essentially of] comprising at least one water-soluble crystalline compound selected from the group consisting of [sugar alcohols, sugars and derivatives thereof] mannitol, erythritol, isomalt and lactitol, and at least one acidulent selected from the group consisting of phosphoric acid, citric acid, malic acid, fumaric acid, tartaric acid, ascorbic acid and lactic acid, wherein said water-soluble crystalline compound is present in said co-processed composition in an amount of from 80 to 99 percent by weight and said at least one acidulent is present in said co-processed composition in an amount of from 1 to 20 percent by weight, further wherein said co-processed composition is in the form of granules or agglomerates.

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